

I feel that the ideals that the U.S. was founded upon in 1776 are the most beautiful ideals that humankind can attempt to live up to. We, as a country, have never achieved those ideals. And recently, it seems to me, that we have stopped trying. If this nation is to be as beautiful of a place as those who created it and have participated in it have and still do envision, people must have access to information. A democracy is dependent on decisions of the people (or rather, it should be), and people can not make educated decisions if they can not obtain adequate information. Adequate information is not one person's or one company's opinion. Adequate information is information that comes from many different sources. As human beings, we all have biases. To obtain the closest thing to truth that we can, we must have the opinions of many different biases. Our media has already portrayed a war as if it were a video game. The violence in our movies looks more realistic than actual violence. More people watch varying forms of media than in any other time. We can not afford to put our minds, our childrens minds, and our nation's future in the hands of just one, two, three or even a dozen biases. We need freedom, liberty, and equality for all--not brain washing. And we need to take the principles our country was founded on seriously: for these principles are worth working to achieve. If we don't work to achieve them, if we stop even working, our nation is nothing.